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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Rickie Boyd BOWDEN )  
Application No. 09/977,286 )  
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
FORECASTING MATERIAL )  
REQUIREMENTS AND MANAGING )  
THE ACCESSABILITY OF THE )  
MATERIALS )

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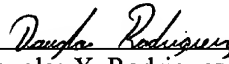
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Respectfully submitted,

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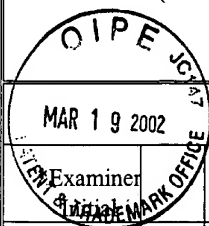
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